

HOW DO YOU DEFINE SERVICE?

People define service in many different ways. Represented below are some examples of service. Study the list carefully. Place a “1” next to the action that most closely models your personal philosophy of service. Place a “2” next to the action that is the second closest to your philosophy of service, etc. The example which is farthest from your own philosophy should be ranked “16.”

- ___ Providing dinner once a week at a homeless shelter
- ___ Joining the armed forces
- ___ Talking with a friend
- ___ Chaining yourself to an old growth tree as loggers enter the forest
- ___ Leaving your car at home and biking to work every day
- ___ Giving \$50 to the Red Cross
- ___ Choosing professional work that makes a difference
- ___ Writing a letter to a congressional leader about campaign finance reform
- ___ Developing a micro-lending project for low-income teens to start small businesses
- ___ Conducting and disseminating academic research
- ___ Giving blood
- ___ Tutoring a migrant worker
- ___ Adopting an eight year old boy
- ___ Organizing your peers to work for affordable housing
- ___ Participating in a one week meditation retreat
- ___ Voting